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SATURDAY, OCTOBER, 9, 1880.

J. A. JOHNSON, News Editor.

—Mr. Thomas W. Hunster was very quietly married to Miss Lewis Wednesday night. Their host of friends wish them *bon voyage*, on the matrimonial stream.

—Dr. Crummell was surprised by members of his congregation last Monday night, and given quite a number of presents.

—Mocking Bird Food Loose or Can 30 cts. Clark's.

—Large numbers of Odd Fellows left for Richmond on Wednesday and Thursday to attend the A. M. C.

—Holland Gin Large Bottle $1. Clark's

—At Israel church Sunday, Rev. J. P. Hamer will preach in the morning, J. P. Shreeves in the afternoon and M. H. Ross in the evening; the occasion being quarterly review.

—St. Julien Claret, large bottles, 40 cts, Clark's 10th and F streets n. w.

—Our talented friend Mr. J. Wm. Cole has accepted the position of bass in St. Augustine church choir.

—Best Flour 4 cents. Clark's.

—Hon. John M. Langston and Wm. E. Matthews, Esq. addressed the Maryland State Republican Association at their headquarters New York ave., on Thursday even ing las with great acceptance. Maryland expects to elect three Republican members of Congress this fall, which will be a gain of two.

—Rock and Rye whiskey 75 cts large bottle, Clark's 10th and F.

—Miss Annie L. Hamer, daugter of Rev. Jacob P. Hamer, is organist of Galbraith Chapel M. E. Z. Church.

—Java & Mocha coffee roasted, 35 cts. Clark's

—The St. Mary's Sabbath school, will give a concert and exhibition at an early day.

—Mrs. Robert Elliott, of S. C. is in this city, stopping at Mrs. Revells in L street.

—Sweet Catawba, large jug 30 cts. Clark's 10 & F.

—The Ohio papers speak highly and complimentary of Prof. Greener's efforts, in the state canvass. His eloquent speeches are telling with great effect upon the masses.

—Club Punch large bottle 75 cts. Clark's 10th & F

—We know we are speaking within bounds, when we say that hundreds of our citizens deeply regret the death of the little infant daughter, of Mr. Chris. Fleetwood. In behalf of personal and social friends, we extend both the mother and father heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement. The sudden death of their dear little girl is indeed a sad blow.

—Mrs. L. S. Coolidge has opened a fashionable dress and cloak making establishment at 1515 Penn. ave., n. w., where she will be glad to see her friends.

—Pure Rye whiskey 4 years old large bottle 75 cts. Clark's.

—To-morrow morning 11 o'clock services at St. Mary's Chapel 23rd st. near H, will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Ames asst. Rector of the Ascension church. The holy communion will be administered. Public are invited to attend services held regularly each Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m., Sabbath school at 3 o'clock p. m.

—Morans is a good place to buy your shoes. Read his advertisement.

—At their regular meeting held Oct. 4, Mount Olive Lodge, No. 1333, installed the following officers Henry L. Ross, P. N. F.; Daniel Hardy, N. F.; E. D. Dudley, P. N. G.; Robert H. Roberts, N. G.; Wm. A. Duiguid, V. G.; J. F. Colbert, E. S.; George Wheeler, Treas.; W. H. Judson Malvin, P. S.; W. D. Holmes, W. C.; E. P. Brown, I. G.; Thos. Willis, Warden: Joseph T. Mason and A. Edwards, N. G. Sup's; John Roots and L. W. Jackson, V. G. Sup's; Banking com. H. W. Freeman, Amos Hill and Thomas H. Barlow.

—Havana Segars 2 1-2 & 5 cts. Clark's

—Prof. E. C. Townsend will give select readings at the 15th St. Presbyterian church next monday evening at eight o'clock. Mr. Townsend's wellknown ability as an elocutionist should insure a full house. Admission twenty-five cents.

—Bird Seed all Kinds cents Clark's.

—The fair of the 5th Baptist church (Rev. J. H. Brook's) opened last Monday night with quite a crowd. It will continue one month. There are organs and sewing machines at this fair which will be disposed of by drawings at fifty cents per chance.

—St. Luke's church was well attended last Sabbath. The Doctor seemed in excellent spirit (and why shouldn't he?) as also the congregation. The organist played as he never did before, in St. Luke's, and the choir chanted the *Te Deum Laudamus* with veritable religious fervor; Mrs. Kelley leading with her sweet soprano charmed the worshippers into complete silence. After the services, the middle aisle was crowed with ladies who came forward to pay their respects to the Doctor's handsome and new made wife.

—A meeting of the Sunday School missionary Society, connected with the 15th Street Presbyterian church, will be held next Sunday morning, the 10th inst., at 9:30 o'clock in the lecture room of the church. Miss Somerville will read on the occasion and Miss Susie Evans will deliver a poem. The following named persons have been invited, and are expected to deliver short addresses: Mrs Waller, Mrs. Judge Strong, of the Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the N. Y. ave. church, Mrs. Lunville and Roache of the M. E. Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the District, and Mr. C. B. Barley, Pres. of the Juvenile Missionary Society of the N. Y. ave. church. All of the members and friends of the church are earnestly invited to be present and thus give encouragement to the children.

—Granulated Sugar 11 cts. Clark's.

—If you want to find a bargain in Dry Goods, Hosiery and Notions go to Behrend's Baltimore Store 908 7th street, near I. See advertisement.

—The attendance at the 15th St. Presbyterian church was large. At the beginning of the service Bishop Brown came in and was invited in the pulpit by Rev. Grimke. The Bishop read Romans 2nd chapter, and prayed. Rev. Grimke read a notice that Professor Townsend will give select readings for the benefit of the church, Wednesday, Oct. 11, at half-past 7 o'clock p. m., admission 25 cents All the friends of the church are invited to attend. Rev. Grimke preached from Luke 9th chapter, and 23 verses, "and he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." His discourse was able, impressive, and filled with spiritual food for those who truly love the Savior. Professors and none professors, received such admonition, as to cause them to turn to Christ, and follow him wherever duty calls. The choir, led by their faithful soprano, Miss Tilghman, rendered fine music. The grand "Te Deum," sung by four female, and five male voices, was exceedingly fine and well rendered. Senator Bruce and wife were present.

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The Art Exhibition.

Philadelphia, October 4, 1880.

MR. EDITOR,

DEAR SIR:—The Art Exhibition to be held by the Workingmen's club of this city, and of which a notice appeared in the ADVOCATE a few months ago, comes off on the 18th inst, and will be kept opened two weeks. The exhibition is to consist of any kind of work of art done by our people, such as oil paintings, lead pencil or crayon drawings, fancy needle, or worsted work, &c.

The exhibits must be sent and will be returned at the exhibitor's own expense, the board of managers of the club being otherwise responsible for them. The exhibitors who wish their work to be exposed for sale also, will please let us know the price they want for it. Among the artists who have promised contributions, may be mentioned: Messrs. Gerrit S. Logucn, of New York, Edward M. Banister, of Providence, R. I., William H. Jackson, of New Haven, Conn., and Messrs. William H. Dorsey, Rob't Douglass, David Bowser and Alfred B. Stidum, of this city.

All communications respecting further information, &c., may be addressed to either of the following board of managers, at the club rooms, 424, South Eleventh St.: Rev. H. L. Phillips, Messrs. Levi Cromwell, N. Du Bois Miller, C. Gedney King and Theodore Starr, or to Mr. William H. Dorsey, 1231, Lo ust St., or to either of the following committee, at the club rooms:

Thos. J. Hebron,
David A. Price,
Henry L. Crawford,
William Adger.

Berryville, Va.,
Sept. 30, 1880.

Dear ADVOCATE:—Of course you are interested in all the young people who take passage in the ship "Matrimony." Well early last week cards were issued for the wedding of Miss Portia E. Lovett of this town, and B. O. Bird of Baltimore, Md., to take place at Allen's Chapel. The ceremony was to be performed at 8 o'clock a. m. and as early as 7:30 there were many anxious hearts and expectant faces assembled there on the lookout for cupid's victims. Shortly after 8, in they came. Bennie looked very happy indeed as he led to the hymeneal altar "fair Portia," who looked bewitchingly sweet enveloped in a marvel of satin and lace that the ladies were pleased to call a princess dress. Next appeared Mr. W. C. Evans, of Winchester, Va., as "best man" leading Miss M. V. Lovett, the bride's sister, then Mr. J. J. Dixon of Charlestown, W. Va., with Miss Jennie Lovett and last but not least, were Willie and Minnie the youngest members of the family looking like veritable nymphs as they followed "sister Portia's" wedding train and performing their part as waiters with as much grace as the elders. The ceremony over and the "twain" having been pronounced one, the guests assembled at the residence of the bride's mother where a sumptuous repast had been prepared and among all the guest assembled, surely these were none present who did not enjoy that elegant wedding breakfast fit to tempt the palate of any epicure. The bride received a great many useful and elegant presents.

BONNIE TIBBIE.

BALTIMORE NOTES.

—Mr. S. S. Servent, the Baltimore agent for the PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE, returned from Berkely on Monday last, greatly improved in every way.

—Prof. J. P. Sampson is a guest of our city, and while here will probably address St. Paul Lyceum Monday, October, 11th.

—Mrs. Anna Clark, of North Attleboro, Mass., and Mrs. Bowers, of New York, are on a visit to our city, the former is the guest of Miss Maria Harden, and the latter of Mr. Henry Jakes; they will be present at the Sesqui Centennial of the city.

—Fourteen marriages are looked for this fall, with several to accompany the new year, which goes to demonstrate that the people are alive to that institution founded many years ago. The air is also full of the report that one of our prominent school teachers is to be led to the alter by a prominent Washingtonian.

—The city is alive with decoration. Several beautiful arches have been erected, and tastefully decorated, and upon every house the stars and stripes can be seen battling with the breeze. Every stranger as soon as he arrives knows something is going to take place unusual. On Tuesday when the public schools will be in the parade, it is estimated that fully 35,000 children will be in line. Prof. Grady, of the grammar school, will be in charge of our children, and their appearance is expected to be somewhat extra.

—From waiting week after week for the school board to appropriate money for the establishment of the ten colored schools which will be under the supervision of colored teachers, we have been now at their meeting on Tuesday night given to know that we must wait until January, and the startling fact has been discovered that the money is inadequate to the occasion. It required those masters of figures from May to October to discover the great fact that there was not enough money to try the "experiment" as it is called. In the school board there is to be found rampant prejudice against the progress of the colored people; these men who hold such prejudices are of one story intellects. Then they are some who will compare, reason and generalize, but for fear of injuring their friends they will not accord the rights due them; these men are of two story intellects. Then again there are some who idealize, image, predict and are illumined with light from above, characterized by justice to humanity and like civilization; these men are of three story intellects, and would to God we had all such on the school board.

—The excursion for Richmond, under the auspices of the G. U. O, of O. F. will leave here on Thursday at 9 o'clock a. m. Miss Mills, the president of the Tuesday evening club will be among the many to visit Richmond.

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FOR PRESIDENT,
JAMES A. GARFIELD,
of Ohio.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
CHESTER A. ARTHUR,
of New York.

A full account of the A. M. C. of the G. U. O. of O. F. in our next issue.

READY:—Turning points in Odd Fellowship, an address by J. W. Cromwell. For sale, 5 cents a copy.

The article in our last issue on Geo. DeGross, the colored tragedian, should have been credited to that spicy journal, the *Rumor*.

Owing to our absence from the city, the opening of the National Fair, and other causes, we are so far behind that we are compelled to do what we never did before—present our readers with a half sheet.

Next Tuesday tells the tale. If Indiana and Ohio both go Republican its all day with Gen. Hancock. If Indiana goes Republican, and Ohio Democratic, New York will be the final battle ground. The result in both States will be close, and if there was fair play there would be no doubt of Republican success.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Our instincts lead us to search among the exchanges of the *Christian Recorder* and we found *The Monthly Register* of the Philadelphia Society for organizing charity. The object of this society, is the promotion of whatever tends to the *permanent* improvement of the condition of the poor; it endeavors—1st To reduce vagrancy and pauperism, and ascertain their true causes; 2nd To prevent indiscriminate and duplicate giving; 3rd To secure the community from imposture; 4th To see that all deserving cases of destitution are properly relieved and 5th To make employment the basis of relief. It proposes to secure these ends, by a system of registration to prevent imposture; by bringing about co-operation among all charitable agencies; by securing thorough investigation and the most suitable action in all cases, byobtaining from exesting charities the precise help needed, and when all other sources fail; by a *system of visiting* which shall substitute friendliness for alms, and induce to thrift, self-respect, and better modes of life; by careful study of the causes of pauperism and of the best methods of of dealing with destitution and degradation.

We commend this statement of objects and methods to the Ministers Unions of Washington and other cities, trusting they will not be slow to see the necessity of the accomplishment of like objects in their communities.

For some cause or other, The Institute for Colored Youth has lost somewhat of its popularity among older graduates. Why this is so, we have not beeh satisfactorily informed; but its course of study and its failure to supply a sufficient number of graduates to secure places in colored schools now held by white teachers or fill anticipated vacancies are urged as reasons why a change is necessary to bring back the school to popularity with the older graduates and to achieve for it as great distinction in the future as in the past. On the other hand the Alumni of the school are not without blame in not being as jealous of the fame of the school under the new as under the old regime.

Passing from this subject let us advert to a visit to the House of Refuge for Colored Boys. After spending a few moments with one of the attendants from whom we derived much information as to its management etc., We were shown through the dormitories, natatorium, the assembly, the literary and school rooms—there are three divisions,—the chapel and the work shop. The boys are taught the manufacture of toy watches, brushes, wicker work and woolen hose. The colored boys are not taught all those things in which white boys are instructed. Shoe making for instance, because it is not believed that colored boys follow will this occupation when released. Ten per cent of the earnings of the boys is placed to their credit and the amount given them for the purchase of any article which they may desire. The majority of the inmates find ready employment on the expiration of their confinement, on farms in the neighborhood. Secular papers are not circulated among the inmates.

The Sabbath which has just closed brought Communion Day at Bethel, the mother church of the A. M. E. denomination. As the readers of the ADVOCATE are aware, it is a very commodious brick edifice, possessing accomodations for from eighteen hundred to two thousand. On the occasion referred to as was the wont, it was literally crowded by people of all demoninations and shades of religious belief. The pastor, Rev. Coppin preached and many hundred communed. At no church in the country is the special feature of the religion of the Negro more clearly seen. The congregational singing is as hearty as that of the African Baptist Church Richmond, the music scarcely less harmonious. Upon inquiry we learn that this church is historic: it is there that more moneys were realized than all other churches in the city combined; it stands as the protest against the arrogant pretensions of the white churches of the past. No wonder then that the new comers into the city fall in the habits of the older residents of this city.

Returning from service we beheld a young man walking as a blind man without any one to lead him. Approaching him, we found that it was Sylvester R. Foster well known in Richmond and Washington, the former place his native city, the latter where he was a student at Howard University. He is totally blind but is here for medical treatment His family is with him. Since his residence here he has been blessed with a babe and it was a very sad sight to see him bring his infant son in his arms. May his many friends contribute to his necessities in order that he may continue to recieve medical attention and be enabled to see the light of day!

Philadelphia is voted "slow, Quakerlike and behind the times," but the presence of visitors from neighboring cities affords opportunities for a display of those social qualities for which this city is justly noted, and in respect to which it is without a successful rival.

Here it was that Dr. Crummell spent some of his first years in the service of his Master, and won the friendship of certain old families whose scions heartily extend to him most royal welcome whenever he visits here. Of course on the occasion of his last visit he would not be forgotten. So among those who extended in Philadelphia style their congratulations to the Doctor were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Bowers, the genial Dr. Howard and their charming daughter, Miss Alice, adding to the cheer.

On Tuesday night of last week another party assembled at Levi Cromwell's to do honor to the distinguished stranger and his bride. The party was pre-eminently a churchly if not a clerical one. Besides the Doctor and his bride, there were Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Phillips, Rev. Solomon P. Hood and Mrs. Garnet Barboza, both missionaries to Africa, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Stevens and J. W. Cromwell. As our friend Stevens is the leader of the Cherry-st Baptist choir, and the other mentioned individual an ex-member of several choirs, the term "clerical" is not *very* far-fetched. Be that as it may, the broiled oysters, fried chicken, deviled and soft shelled crabs, chicken salad and stewed terrapin were discussed with much gusto in the intervals of conversations on the Mohammedan and the Christian religions, the growth and cause of infidelity among intelligent young colored men in this country, and the prospects of the two parties in the pending campaign.

Sunday morning, despite the recollection of the chagrin of former years as a member of Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school, we made way to Union A. M. E. Church where we heard the pastor, Rev. Knight preach a very earnest, practical and at times eloquent sermon. He is one of the young men whom Wilberforce has turned out to lift the plane of our worship above "the crudity and pure emotionalism of a former day." He reminds us of Rev. William Waring in the breadth of his views, the familiarity of his illustrations and the cogency of his reasoning; at times he has much fire and he is always entertaining.

The Shiloh Baptist people have just installed their new pastor, Rev. Cary Dennis, late of the 12th Baptist church in Boston, Mass.

Mr. Andrew J. Stevens gave a reception last Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. Jerry W. Bowers, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and other visitors. There were present, besides the host and hostess, Mrs. Bowers, Misses Thomas of N. Y., and Jakes of Baltimore, Mr. Van Ranken of Albany, Wm. Warrick, Mr. J. F. Needham and lady, Misses Hennie Edwards, Florie Lewis, Dora Kennedy, Dora Cole, Hennie Farrelly and Mary Boardley; Messrs. E. A. Bouchet, J. T. Seth, W. C. Bolivar, R. E. D. Venning; A. F. and J. H. Hill, Dr. C. Howard, W. C. Price, Levi and J. W. Cromwell.

Dancing was kept up till a late hour. The fact that Benj. Oliver presided at the piano is sufficient evidence of the excellence of the music.

As to the supper, it is hardly necessary to add that the skill of Mr. Stevens as a caterer has rarely been shown to better advantage. There are many who will not soon forget those oysters and the croquets, nor ever dispute the meed of praise for his judgment in the selection of his creams and ices; while the popping of corks afforded opportunity to test his merits as a connoisseur of champagne. It was after one o'clock when the spontaneous acknowledgments of indebtedness for a pleasant evening were made and all separated for their homes. J. W. C.

Hon. J. M. Langston in West Virginia.

Parkersburg W. Va.,
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Mr. Editor;—Hon. J. M. Langston United States Minister to Hayti, after being solicited by a number of our most prominent citizens, white and colored, addressed an audience of about three thousand in the Republican wigwam this evening. It was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Among his audience, was a number of most prominent Democrats in the city, also over two hundred ladies representing the wealth, culture and beauty of this city accorded to him, by the ladies of this city seldom to any one. The presence of these ladies graced the occasion and amid the beautiful decorations and hundreds of gas jets, made it a beautiful scene indeed. As he arose to speak he was greeted by a storm of applause, the ladies waving their hankerchiefs and the band played, "John Brown's soul is marching on." Langston seemed to me at that moment that he was bewildered and amazed at the grand oration he had recieved, he commenced his speech by addressing himself to the darker faces who sat before him; he reminded them that they were American citizens clothed with the dearest rights known to American freedmen and the ballot, and for our own sake and our country, stand by the grand old Republican party. (applause.) He next paid his respect to Ben. Butler, and said, "now fellow citizens: brother Ben joins the Democratic party and asks you and me to vote for Hancock." Here he straitened himself up and looked every inch a man and said in language that cannot be described here; "I will not do it, I will never vote ter Hancock, nor follow brother Ben to the democratic party." The scene here begger's description.

That whole vast audience rising to their feet cheering and the ladies waving their handkerchiefs. He continued by saying, "I have no personal illwill to the democratic party, but I do not believe that as a party it is fit to be trusted with the affairs of our government. The party boasts of its great leaders, show me a man among heir leaders the equal of Grant, or Garfield and I will vote for Hancock. (applause.) I ask any democrat in this audience to point out to me, a single law, National, or State, that they have ever passed or projected, that has ever been any practical benefit to the people. (applause.) Show a single instance where the Democratic party has ever done any thing to put down murder, assassination and intimidation in the South, and I will vote for Hancock. (Applause.) Wade Hampton is the head and front of the Democratic party, but fellow citizens, Garfield is our leader, and a glorious victory awaits us in November," In closing his speech it was almost imposible for him to proceed for the applause that followed like waves, succeeding waves. Years will roll away before this event here this evening will be forgotten, either by Langston or the thousands who witnessed it.

Your valuable space will not admit of a very extended account of Mr. Langston's great speech here tonight; suffice it to say it was an effort of which he and his race may well be proud. It was my good fortune to hear Langston in 1856 and 1876, but on this occasion he surpassed either of the others, and that is saying a good deal. His language and eloquence on this occasion was worthy of the man, and as the acknowledged representative of his race, it is a note worthy fact that Langston's speech was not a rehash of the old speeches made now days, it was entirely new, and it filled his audience with new ideas of duty in the great coming struggle. ROMBERT.

Methodist Preachers' Union.

At the meeting of the committee appointed by the Methodist Preachers' Union to devise ways and means for the consummation of a Union Ministerial Association to be composed of all the Pastors in Washington and Georgetown, D. C., held at the residenre of Rev. J. W. Stevenson, on Thursday, September 23d, the following Address and Invitation were adopted.

Brethren:—It is clearly taught us by the Holy Scriptures that there is but one true, holy and evangelic Church of which Christ is the head, and all its members are brethren. For convenience, this Church is divided into several parts according to the ideas of church government entertained by its several members: these divisions are designed, we believe, to effect the *external*, and not the *internal*, or spiritual workings of it.

We have frequently seen much weakness, to say the least, existing in the Church as a whole which has often retarded its progress; and the cause of that weakness has been largely effected by an undue appreciation of denominationalism; therefore we adopt the sentiments expresed in the prayer of Our Lord Jesus Christ for the preservation and unity of the Apostles, (John 17, 6—12) in which He prays: "Holy Father keep through thine own name those whom thou has given me, that *they may be one as we are*," and feeling that we are led by the spirit of Christ, we do hereby invite all Pastors of colored congregations in Washington and Georgetown, D. C., to convene (D. V.) in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church on M-street, on Tuesday, October 12th, 1880, for the purpose of forming a Union Ministerial Association.

We are yours in Christ,
J. W. Stevenson,
S. P. Smith,
C. W. Fitzhugh,
M. H. Ross,
A. B. Wilson.

CLIPPINGS.

A local Talmage held a series of meetings near Amsterdam, Botetourt county, Va., in which he was quite successful. At the closing service of the meeting he rose for his farewell address. He spoke of "the great ingathering of souls" at a place of so little tendency to religion; of the many sheaves that had been garnered whence he had heard only leaves could come. Walking rapidly back and forth, gesticulating furiously, he woke the echoes for miles around. Waving his bony hands above the congregation, he shouted: "I have done a good work here! I am like the celebrated Napoleon who upon an occasion of great success exclaimed, 'Sic semper tyrannis—I came, I saw and I conquered!'"

Says the master of the house to his servant as he prepares to lock himself up in his study and work: "I am not in if any one calls—mind?" A quarter of an hour later he rings the bell. No answer. He rings again. Still no answer. He opens the door furiously and cries to the servant in the ante-chamber: "Didn't you hear me ring, you idiot?" "Yes, sir; but you had told me you weren't in, and I couldn't think of taking a bell's word before yours, sir!"

One night, a judge, a military officer and a minister, all applied for lodging at an inn where there was but one spare bed, and the landlord was called upon to decide which had the best claim of the three. "I have laid fifteen years in the garrison at B.," said the officer. "I have sat as judge twenty years in R.," said the judge. "With your leave gentlemen, I have stood in the ministry twenty-five years at N.," said the minister. "That settles the dispute," said the landlord. "You, Mr. Captain, have lain fifteen years—you, Mr. Judge, have sat twenty years—but the aged pastor has stood five and twenty years, so he certainly has the best right to the bed."

"Why," thundered an impassioned orator at a temperance mass meeting, "in only one year, in twelve short months, the people of the United States drank 27, 867, 915 gallons of beer, and 7,853,291 gallons of whisky! How much of that hideous aggregate did you drink?" he shrieked, glaring around at the respectable vice-presidents on the platform. And in the impressive pause that followed, the corresponding secretary arose, and said that with the exception of the tonic drops she was compelled to take before breakfast and the anti-malarial bitters that Dr. Bolus prescribed for her, and a little pale ale for her digestion and a pint of beer at night, which she couldn't close an eye in sleep without it, and maybe an occasional drop of brandy for the neuralagy, she had not tasted a drop of spiritual or ferventuous liquids since she joined the society. And a great hush fell upon the meeting, like the voice of a man who has just been asked for the loan of ten dollars.

We received from a correspondent the following somewhat incoherent account of a duel which was fought in his neighborhood. Some way or other we are half in the dark about the result of the duel in question, but we shall leave the decision to our readers: A duel was lately fought in Texas by Alexander Shott and John S. Nott. Nott was shot, and Shott was not. In this case it is better to be Shott than Nott. There was a rumor that Nott was not shot, and Shott avows that he shot Nott, which proves either that the shot Shott shot at Nott was not shot, or that Nott was shot notwithstanding. Circumstantial evidence is not always good. It may be made to appear on trial that the shot Shott shot shot Nott or, as accidents with fire-arms are frequent, it may be possible that the shot Shott shot shot Shott himself, when the whole affair would resolve itself into its original elements, and Shott would be shot, and Nott would be not. We think, however, that the shot Shott shot shot not Shott, but Nott; anyway, it is hard to tell who was shot.